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PATENT

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Applicant: Hidenobu YAKU, et al.

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Title: METHOD FOR DETECTING EXTENSION REACTION WITH PRIMERS,  
METHOD FOR DISTINGUISHING KIND OF BASES, APPARATUS FOR  
DISTINGUISHING KIND OF BASES, APPARATUS FOR DETECTING  
PYROPHOSPHATE, METHOD FOR DETECTING NUCLEIC ACID, AND TIP TO  
MOUNT SAMPLE SOLUTION

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

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Sir:

This is a response to the non-final Office Action dated October 16, 2006. Reexamination and reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-12, 19-27 and 31-33 are pending in this application. Claims 13-18 and 28-30 previously canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and had been withdrawn from consideration due to a restriction requirement. The claims were directed to a non-elected invention. Applicant